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## (54) HAIR COSMETIC

## (57)Abstract:

**PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED:** To obtain a hair cosmetic capable of imparting excellent pliability and excellent lubricity to hair and improving the coherency of the hair by including a specific amount of an aliphatic polyvalent carboxylic acid (salt) therein.

**SOLUTION:** This hair cosmetic is obtained by including 1-20 wt.% aliphatic polyvalent carboxylic acid (salt) therein. The hair cosmetic is especially suitable for use in a hair dye. When used as the hair dye, (B) 0.5-20 wt.% aromatic alcohols represented by the formula [R' is H, an alkyl or an alkoxy; X is a 1-4C straight-chain or branched chain alkylene or alkenyl and may contain an ether bond; (p) is 0 or 1] (e.g. benzyl alcohol) is preferably contained. An aliphatic carboxylic acid containing at least  $\geq 2$  carboxyl groups in the molecule may be used as the ingredient A and hydroxyl group may be contained as a substituent group. Malonic acid, adipic acid, succinic acid, etc., are cited as concrete examples of the aliphatic carboxylic acid.



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